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This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)(1), that is within three months of learning of the cited items. Thus, no petition or fee should be required. However, if it is necessary, the Examiner is hereby authorized to consider this a petition and is further authorized to charge any fee required by its filing to Deposit Account No. 09-0946.

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